

Tri-Township Park Board Meeting
October Regular Meeting
Park Office
October 11, 2006

7:00 PM Meeting called to order.

In Attendance: Norm Beck, Terry Ball, Jim Derby, Kevin Woodring, Mary Kmetz, and Randy Wiesemeyer
Absent: Phil Loethen

Additions to the Agenda –
None.

Approval of Minutes –

Motion: Approve September 13 2006 Regular Meeting minutes. Randy/Jim 5-0-1 Ayes Mary abstained. Roll Call vote

Thank you notes/Get Well –

Norm said that we received thank-you notes from Marguerite Roady and from NAMI.

Treasures Report –

Motion: Accept treasures report. Kevin/Jim 6-0 Ayes

Pay Bills –

Bills totaling \$27,255.99 were reviewed.

Motion: Pay all bills for \$27,255.99. Randy/Kevin 6-0 Ayes Roll Call Vote

Credentials Certificate – IAPD Annual Meeting –

George said that he planned on attending and that if the board wanted to vote to approve it, he could attend as a delegate and allow him to vote on any park business.

Motion: Approve credentials certificate to allow George as official delegate. Terry/Randy 6-0 Ayes Roll Call vote.

Proposal for Recycling Containers –

George said that we want to be environmentally conscious and has researched the cost of some good aluminum can recycling bins. He passed around pictures for all the commissioners. He said that we could have these containers picked up commercially. He said that no other commercial pickup was available for any other recycled items.

Kevin asked if we could use the Madison County Recycling grant to purchase these.

George said that we could and this grant becomes available in January.

Kevin said that it is the slow time of the year, we wouldn't be collecting aluminum cans very quickly this time of year, and that he thought we should wait for the grant to purchase these.

Norm said that he agreed and asked George to also look through these catalogs for potential replacements for our current garbage collection cans.

Park Director Report – George Bryant

Adventure night – October 28. George said that this was going to be an awesome program. The theme of the program is Story Book Trails. The program will run from 6 until 8 PM. Troy Grain will provide a hayrack ride to take people from the #1 Pavilion to the petting zoo. Local vendors will donate the landscaping of straw for the ride. Local churches will be providing hot chocolate. The Boy Scouts will provide a bon fire. There will be a walk through the woods. Storytellers will be stationed along the walk along with animals. Some of the storytellers include Mary had a little lamb with a sheep, three billy goats gruff with Billy goats, and the three little pigs with pot bellied pigs.

Art Under the Stars – Movie Night – George said that is was a fantastic season and that Dawn Mushill will be coming to a future meeting to discuss the success.

Wiesemeyer Cleaning – George said that we have been getting a lot of compliments on the cleanliness at the Wiesemeyer Center. We are using the new equipment that was purchased at the last meeting. Jason is doing all of the cleaning. George said that he believed that not only are the floors cleaner but that he believes we are saving a lot of cleaning time using the new scrubber. He said he would look into the savings and try to bring some figures to the next meeting.

IPRA/IAPD State Conference January – George said that he would be attending and that highly encouraged all commissioners to attend. He said that it would be worthwhile if you could only attend for a single day.

George said that he is talking with MEPRD and looking at the trails west of town. They are looking for linkage. George reminded the board that MEPRD has a lot of grant money to hand out for trails.

TBSL – Terry Ball

Nothing to report.

TSC –

No one from the TSC was in attendance.

Financial – Phil

Phil was absent.

Athletics – Norm

Norm said that we have received a letter from a new Troy Traveling baseball team who wants to play in the park. He asked George to work with them on the details.

Insurance – Kevin

Nothing to report.

Grounds – Jim

Jim said that he and George are continuing to look at the drainage problems on the 32 acres but he had nothing to report at this time.

Special Events – Mary

Mary presented a new proposed fee schedule for rentals that included the addition of non-resident fees. George said that more work needed to be done on refunds and we do and do not give them. He said that we also do not have a written policy on when the rental fees are due.

Motion: Approve new park shelter and Wiesemeyer fee structure. Mary/Kevin 6-0 Ayes

George said that he is still looking into the Troy Church of Christ request to use the lower level of the Wiesemeyer Center. He said that we need to be careful with these agreements as utility rates are going up rather significantly. He said that he and Mary would look into this further and get back with the board.

Personnel & Safety – Terry

Terry said that a commissioner had asked him a question about a recent employee accident and the safety policies that are currently in place. Terry said that as a result of this request he had had extensive conversations with George on this topic and had come to the conclusion that the employees are being managed properly and that the policies that are in place are adequate and sufficient. He said that the accident has been investigated and addressed.

Beautification – Randy

The dedication and photo of the park entrance sign had to be cancelled because of rain but would be rescheduled.

7:40 Motion: Adjourn the meeting. Kevin/Terry 6-0 Ayes

Submitted by
Terry Ball, Secretary